

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 U.S.C.121:

- I. Claims 1-16, drawn to updating the encryption/decryption module, classified in class 713, subclass 191.
- 5 II. Claim 17, drawn to key exchange, classified in class 380, subclass 278.

The inventions are distinct, each from the other because of the following reasons:

Inventions I and II are unrelated.

10 Because these inventions are distinct for the reasons given above and have acquired a separate status in the art as shown by their different classification, restriction for examination purposes as indicated is proper.

Response:

15 The Applicant has consequently amended the claims in the above Amendments to the Claims section to elect the claims in Group I. Claims 1-16, drawn to updating the encryption/decryption module, are elected as the subject matter to be examined in the present application. Claim 17 is non-elected and therefore cancelled. Examination of claims 1-16 is requested.

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